

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



in re the Application of: NAKATA, Shunji et al.

Serial No.: 10/709,287

Examiner: C. F. COX

Group Art Unit: 2816

Filed: April 27, 2004

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 3286

For: ADIABATIC CHARGING REGISTER CIRCUIT

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 13, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the attached Terminal Disclaimer to overcome the double patenting rejection of claims 1-3 as obvious over claim 1 of U.S. Patent 6,788,121. The Terminal Disclaimer is proper because the conflicting patent and the instant application are both commonly owned by Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation.

A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

If, for any reason, it is felt that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

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In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Terminal Disclaimer and fee

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Sir:

The undersigned, William L. Brooks, is attorney of record in the above-identified patent application. The terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 to 156 and 173, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, of prior Patent No. 6,788,121 is hereby disclaimed, except as provided below. It is agreed that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and the prior patent are commonly owned. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

In making the above disclaimer, disclaimant does not disclaim the terminal part of any patent granted on the instant application that would extend to the expiration date of the full statutory term as defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 to 156 and 173 of the prior patent, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, in the event that it later: expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee, is held unenforceable, is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 CFR 1.321, has all claims canceled by a reexamination certificate, is reissued, or is in any manner terminated prior to the 07/14/2005 HALI11 expiration of its full statutory term as presently shorténed by any terminal disclaimer.

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This disclaimer is submitted on behalf of NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORPORATION, a Japanese company, on whose behalf the undersigned is empowered to act, which owns the entire and exclusive right, title and interest to the invention entitled Adiabatic Charging Register Circuit, for which the above-identified patent application was filed on April 27, 2004, Serial No.10/709,287, and all Letters Patent of the United States to be obtained therefor on said application or any continuation, divisional, substitute, reissue or reexamination thereof for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted, by virtue of an assignment from the inventor(s) of the above-identified patent application. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 011875, Frame 0052, or a copy thereof is attached.

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XX Terminal disclaimer fee under 37 CFR 1.20(d) is included.